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Sir:

This amendment is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed July 16, 2008. Applicants request a three month extension of time.

Please enter the following amendments and remarks.

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